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TAGS: OVIP (KAUNDA, KENNETH), ZA, US

SUBJECT: KAUNDA VISIT -- YALE NOT TO OFFER DEGREE

REF: A. LUSAKA 114; B. LUSAKA 47

1. DEPARTMENT WAS INFORMED 4/18 THAT THE YALE CORPORATION HAS DECIDED NOT TO OFFER AN HONORARY DEGREE TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA. THE CORPORATION WAS POLLED LAST WEEK ON THE IDEA OF SUBSTITUTING KAUNDA FOR PRESIDENT SENGHOR, WHOM YALE HAD FINALLY LEARNED WOULD DEFINITELY BE UNABLE TO ATTEND. IN THE MEANTIME, HOWEVER, A DEGREE RECIPIENT WHO HAD EARLIER REGRETTEED CHANGED HIS MIND AND ASKED TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS SPRING'S CEREMONY. THIS, YALE SAYS, PUT THE NUMBER OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS AT THEIR ABSOLUTE CEILING, AND THE CORPORATION DECIDED THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR KAUNDA THIS YEAR.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ASAP UPDATED EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF LIKELY KAUNDA AND GRZ REACTIONS TO THIS DECISION BY YALE.

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